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WASHINGTON TALK.

Speaker Reed Not Likely to Name the House Committees for Some Time.

GUESSING AS TO THE TARIFF BILL.

The General Arbitration Treaty Still a Bone of Contention—Republican Senators May Name One Postmaster.

Washington, March 22.—(From our regular Correspondent.)—Speaker Reed has not authorized the statement that he will not appoint the other house committees until the meeting of the regular session of congress next December. To all inquiries on the subject the speaker has replied in substance that he has not decided the matter definitely. The impression left upon the mind of those who have talked with him on the subject is that Mr. Reed will be governed by circumstances. There is reason to believe that the committee assignments have practically been completed and could be announced at short notice. A gentleman whose position is as good as anybody for getting advance knowledge of Mr. Reed's intentions, said when asked about the committee: "I don't know, but my guess is that the committee will be announced at the present session, but not until the joint resolution naming the day of adjournment has been adopted and signed by the president."

It having been made very plain by the unresolvable beginning of the debate on the Dingley tariff bill in the house that the Republicans intend to put that measure through just as it is on the afternoon of March 31, in accordance with the rule which has been adopted, the men who are trying to get the bill amended in all sorts of ways have transferred their attention to the members of the senate finance committee, which has already taken the bill up for consideration. These men are now predicting that the bill will be amended out of all resemblance to itself in the senate, but Republicans are loth to believe that the Republicans on the finance committee—Senators Morrill, Allison, Aldrich, Platt and Wolcott—will sanction any amendments calculated to make the bill less protective to American interests. Senator Jones of Nevada holds the balance of power between Republicans and Democrats in the committee, and he has only recently said that he believed in protection as much as he ever did. Injurious amendments may be added on the floor of the senate, but Republicans do not expect such from the finance committee.

Representative Cannon of Illinois has a habit of getting off retorts in such a droll and dry manner that he seldom fails to make his victim join in the laughter which usually follows. Speaking of the Indian appropriation bill, one of those that failed at the last session, Representative Sayres of Texas expressed the opinion that President McKinley would not sign the bill if it were passed. Looking straight at Mr. Sayres Mr. Cannon said very slowly and distinctly: "I have great confidence in my friend, but I would never shoot him for a prophet." Mr. Sayres joined in the shout of laughter. The house acted promptly upon the advice of Mr. Cannon, who was chairman of the committee on appropriations in the last house and who will occupy the same position in the present house, and passed the appropriation bills that failed at the last congress, just as they had been passed before, with the exception of one paragraph in the Indian bill. There was no occasion to do over again what had been well done at first.

Senator Allen of Nebraska undertook to give the Republicans and Democrats of the senate a scolding because the records in the senate committees had not been filled, but he had no reply to make when Senator Chandler said: "Doesn't the senator know that neither party has a majority here, unless it gets the co-operation of the Populists? Now I would suggest that if the senator will only cast his vote with us, we will have the necessary working majority."

The speech of Senator Davis of Minnesota, now chairman of the committee on foreign relations, in favor of the arbitration treaty, has made new friends for the treaty. Mr. Davis stated in his speech, which was made in executive session, that he had opposed the treaty as it was sent to the senate, but that the amendments, now added, had removed the objectionable features and that he was heartily in favor of its ratification.

Postmaster General Gary has decided that except in cases which present some extraordinary reason for a deviation the old rules will be adhered to in the ap-

pointment of postmasters. These rules in brief are about as follows: Republican senators will be allowed to name the postmaster of the largest city in their congressional district; Republican representatives will name all other postmasters in their districts, and in districts represented in congress by Democrats or Populists and in states having no Republican senators the choice will be made by the Republican chairman or some other designated referee. The congressional delegations must also keep track of the expiration of the terms of postmasters, as the department will not notify them.

WEYLER AGAIN IN THE FIELD.

Gomez's Rapid Advances the Cause of the Captain General's Return.

Key West, Fla., March 22.—At Havana it is stated from reliable sources that the discouraging reports from Santa Clara and other sections near there regarding Gomez's rapid advances is what caused Weyler to leave last night for the west. It was kept a secret, no one knowing of it till this morning. He took three battalions of volunteers with him on a transport vessel and four others left tonight. It is rumored that fighting has been going on there and that Gomez has made substantial gains.

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AFTER THE KINETOSCOPE.

The W. C. T. U. Appeal to the President to Prevent the Prize Fight Exhibition.

Chicago, March 22.—The National Women's Christian Temperance Union is in the field against pugilism. Miss Willard has sent a letter to President McKinley asking him to call on congress to pass a law prohibiting in the District of Columbia and the territories the exhibition by the kinetoscope of kindred instruments a reproduction of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight or any like occurrence at any future time. The request is based on the statement that preparations upon a great scale are being made for the exhibitions of this character in every village and hamlet in the country. The petitioners claim that influence on the public morals will be vastly greater and more degrading than the fight itself which was witnessed by comparatively few and they, persons already hardened. Letters to the same effect have also been forwarded to the governors of all the states in the Union.

Engineer and Fireman Drowned.

Marysboro, Ill., March 22.—The engine and four cars of the northbound local on the Chicago & Texas railroad went down with the bridge across the Big Muddy river at Aldridge station, south of Grand Tower yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock. Engineer Joe Forester and Fireman James Anderson were drowned. Forester is a brother of the postmaster at Marysboro, lives here and leaves a widow and five children. Anderson leaves a family at Carbondale, Ill.

The train was standing at the station, with the engine on the trestle. The Big Muddy is raging and the bridge failed to withstand the pressure. One of the men came up, swam a few strokes and then sank again.

Byers Exonerated.

Des Moines, March 22.—The house committee to investigate the charges against Speaker Byers that he was improperly influenced by the building and loan lobbyists in the appointment of his committee last winter has reported completely exonerating Byers. B. Jackson, the lobbyist who wrote the letter claiming he exerted an influence in legislation districts disbursing \$24,000, is severely denounced for seeking to make the people believe that he trafficked in the honor of members so as to get money for himself. The evidence shows Byers did not know of the influence alleged to have been brought to bear upon him.

Supt-Soldiers' Home Appointed.

Springfield, Ill., March 22.—The trustees of the Illinois soldiers' and sailors' home at Quincy met here Monday and appointed Wm. Somerville of Quincy superintendent.

Another American Citizen Released.

Washington, March 22.—The state department has been notified that Francis Comand, an American citizen imprisoned in Cuba, has been released from custody.

THE TARIFF BILL.

Debate Continued in the House To-Day.

Washington, March 22.—There was a good attendance on the floor of the house and in the galleries during the continuance of the tariff debate today. Gibbs (Rep. Tenn.) was the first speaker. He made a general argument in favor of protection. Dockery (Dem. Mo.) followed. He said the bill did not represent the issue in the late campaign. The people would prefer to see \$113,000,000 more money put in circulation than to see that amount absorbed by the treasury. He declared that had it not been for the Republicans' criticism the bond issues of the last administration would not have been necessary. The Republican committee on ways and means refused to give the house an opportunity to vote on the senate resolution prohibiting the bond issue because the Republican leaders were notified by fifty western Republicans that they would be compelled to vote for it. Dockery ridiculed the idea that the present tariff law destroyed our industries. He denied that there was an era of prosperity for labor under the McKinley law. He instanced the Carnegie strike. Dalzell declared the McKinley law had nothing to do with that strike. It was the result of a contest between organized labor and its opponents. "Yes, and the protected employer hired Pinkerton detectives to shoot down organized labor," returned Dockery. Dockery was especially sarcastic in his remarks. He argued the absurdity of protecting agricultural products. He said that of the \$500,000,000 of products exported by the United States last year \$604,000,000 was agricultural. He declared protection had driven our flag from the high seas, impoverished the laboring men, and multiplied farm mortgages.

Newlands (Silverite of Nevada) then took the floor as spokesman for his party, the Republicans who united with the Democrats and the Populists in the campaign, who number three members in the house. He said the alliance with the Democrats and Populists still continued and was likely to amalgamate into one strong party with silver as the supreme issue, all other questions being subordinated and the largest tolerance extended as to differences of opinion on other questions. Continuing, he said he thought sometimes it was difficult to determine the exact issues settled by the campaign. There could be no question as to the tariff, the verdict of the last election was in favor of protection. People had given the Republican party the contract for prosperity and that party should be allowed to carry out any reasonable tariff policy without obstruction and with expedition. He declared that both industrial and monetary legislation was necessary and of the two, the latter was most necessary. The tariff legislation alone would not give relief. Legislation which would restore the former relative value of silver and gold would be equivalent to a tariff of 100 per cent on products of the silver countries and would protect both the agricultural and manufacturing interest from competition in those countries. He was followed by McLaurin of South Carolina. He said the country was committed to protective tariff for the next four years, and confined himself to an argument in favor of protection of southern products which, he said, had heretofore been discriminated against in tariff measures.

SCOTT TO SUCCEED FORMAN.

Letter Will be Nominated for United States Treasurer.

Washington, March 22.—Senator Elkins and Governor Atkinson of West Virginia yesterday afternoon had a conference with the president concerning the appointment of National Committeeman N. B. Scott of West Virginia to be commissioner of internal revenue. The strongest kind of pressure has been brought to bear upon the president to retain Mr. Forman in that office, and for a time it was considered likely that he would do so, for a year at least. It is said tonight, however, that this plan has been abandoned, and that the nomination of Scott will be sent to the senate in a few days. The office is regarded as a political one, and it is held that the administration ought to have in it one of its best friends.

The surprising part of the information concerning the conference between Senator Elkins and Governor Atkinson and the President is that in announcing his determination to name Scott for internal revenue commissioner, Mr. McKinley said that he would very likely send to the senate the name of Mr. Forman as United States treasurer. Should this appointment be sent to the senate it would pre-empt a spirited contest over the confirmation with the result shrouded in considerable doubt.

Evolution of McKinley's Signature.

Washington, March 22.—There is much interest manifested by the intimate associates of the president in the evolution of his signature. When he was governor of Ohio the first term his father was living and he signed his name "William McKin-

ley, jr." The father died after the son had been governor of the state for a little over a year. He was then anxious to drop "jr." from his name, but as he had taken the oath of office as "William McKinley, jr." he decided to continue putting that as the official signature to all documents. When governor of Ohio the second term he dropped the word "jr." signing his name "William McKinley."

During the latter part of his term as governor, McKinley signed the word "Wm." so often that the letter "m" became almost a straight line. This caused confusion, many people mistaking the stroke for a letter "w," with a straight stroke running out from the top of the letter.

Before taking the oath of office as president, Major McKinley decided that thereafter he would sign his name "William McKinley," and that is the way he has affixed his signature to all documents turned out from the White House since the 4th of March. "William McKinley" will be found on all documents with which he has to deal during his term as president.

HEAVY SNOW IN COLORADO.

Trains on All Railroads Delayed by the Storm.

Denver, March 22.—Snow fell here continuously all day yesterday. The fall has not been heavy, however, and much that fell has melted so that it now lies at a depth of about three inches. The heaviest fall was in eastern Colorado and western Kansas and Nebraska. At Akron, Colo., 14 inches is reported and a heavy fall is reported on the line of the Kansas Pacific between Cheyenne, Wells and Ellis, Kansas. Trains on all lines have been somewhat delayed, but no serious blockades have occurred. The mountain roads in southern Colorado are having difficulty in keeping their tracks clear.

NO BACK DOWN FOR GREECE.

Plenty of Money for Shot and Powder—Particulars of the Massacre.

Constantinople, March 22.—Authentic details of the outbreak Sunday at Toka, Asia Minor, say that the Turks attacked the Armenians while the latter were in church and that 100 Christians were massacred. The Armenian quarter and Bazaar were pillaged for eight hours. The ambassadors formally notified "Greece" of the intention of the powers to land troops in Crete and relieve foreign marines now on duty on shore. This means that while war preparations on the part of Greece continue night and day there are no indications of a backdown. Money does not appear to be lacking for Greek equipment. Large supplies of arms and ammunition are coming but from what source is not clear.

Bullock Murder Trial.

Bloomington, Ill., March 22.—A jury was obtained yesterday afternoon in the trial of Ben McCoy for the murder of John T. Bullock. Bullock, who was a native of West Virginia, temporarily sojourning in this section, was shot and killed on the platform of the Alton station at Shirley on the evening of May 18 last. There had been a scuffle in which it is alleged Bullock and Wilbur McCoy, a brother of Ben, and others were engaged. A shot was fired and Bullock fell mortally wounded. The people claim Ben McCoy fired the shot. State's Attorney Fleming in the opening statement, said that it would be proven that Bullock was killed as the result of a deliberate plan by Benjamin McCoy, and that Bullock was not, as alleged, engaged in any scuffle with Wilbur McCoy or any other; also that McCoy had borrowed the revolver for the purpose for which it was used.

Judicial Appointments.

Springfield, March 22.—A movement is on foot now to make some radical amendments to the judicial appointment bill which is on the order of second reading and comes up as a special order in the senate tomorrow. The Quincy people who are here want Adams county placed in a separate district and Senator Litter will ask the same arrangement for Sangamon county. The constitution provides that a county having over 50,000 population and in which court business occupies nine months of the year, may be placed in a separate court. Because these amendments, if adopted, would necessitate an entire rearrangement of the counties and because a majority of the members are said to be favorable to the present bill, Senator Warder, chairman of the committee on judicial appointment, expresses the opinion that the bill will be advanced to third reading without amendment.

Ten Days' Respite.

Santa Fe, N.M., March 22.—A telegram from Washington from President McKinley today respite for ten days the four members of the Button gang who were to have been hanged today for the murder of ex-Sheriff Frank Chavez in May, 1893.

Tomorrow evening a concert and gymnastic exhibition will be given at the Turner hall. An admission will be charged and the affair will be for the benefit of the athletic club.

WAR ON DEPARTMENT STORES.

Delegations Visit Springfield from Many Parts of the State—The Governor Sends in Appointments.

Springfield, Ill., March 22.—The Cook County Business Men's association several hundred strong, arrived here this morning to wage war on the department stores of Chicago. They were escorted by the Springfield Business Men's association to the hotels. Later they formed a procession and marched to the executive mansion where they were introduced by Senator Solomon, who explained the object of their visit, expressing the hope he would assist them in realizing it. The governor replied:

If the bill passed both houses he would examine it carefully and if he believed it constitutional he would take great pride in signing it. The delegation then proceeded to the capitol. It is expected that during the day a delegation will arrive from Peoria, Sterling, Rock Falls, Decatur, Streator, Austin, Quincy, Centralia, Danville, Bloomington, Joliet, Rockford, Freeport and Jacksonville.

The Governor Sends in Appointments.

In the senate today the governor submitted the following appointments: Members of the state board of arbitration, H. R. Caley, Monticello; D. J. Keaf, Chicago; J. B. Gill, Murphysboro. Trustees of the hospital for the insane at Jacksonville, J. A. Glenn, Ashland; F. L. Sharp, Jacksonville; Morris Emerson, Mount Vernon. Board of Commissioners of public charities, J. C. Corbus, Mendota; R. D. Lawrence, Springfield; W. J. Calhoun, Danville; Ephraim Banning, Chicago; Julia C. Lathrop, Rockford.

The judicial appointment bill came up as a special order and was advanced to a third reading without change.

At 11 the department store bill was called up as a special order. The galleries were filled with members of the Chicago Business Men's association. The discussion pro and con was at length.

House.

The joint resolution touching the death of Wm. M. Glenn, late manager of the Associated Press bureau at Springfield was adopted by a rising vote.

A number of bills were advanced.

MISS SPRAGUE THE WINNER.

She Got More Votes Than All the Men for the Argenta Postoffice.

Until recently there has been considerable lively contention for the postoffice commission at Argenta. Now it is all over and the people are practically unanimous for the lady, Miss Nellie Sprague, daughter of the late Nat Sprague, who has three orphan brothers and sisters dependent upon her for support. An election was held to decide who should have the office. Only Republican patrons of the office were allowed to vote. The result was: Miss Sprague 91; D. H. Garver 17. W. H. Hartman 7, J. F. Shuey 2, giving Miss Sprague 98 majority over all.

Dr. E. H. Thomas of Argenta, was in the city today, and had in his possession all of the papers in the case. Besides the vote, Miss Sprague has a petition signed by 130 patrons of the office. Dr. Thomas, as member of the Republican county central committee, will add his recommendation for the appointment of Miss Sprague, and Congressman Connolly will see that she gets the commission.

George Kelly Executed.

Center City, Minn., March 22.—George Kelly was hanged this morning for the murder of Edward Paul and Jacob Hayes, conjointly with Robert Wilson, he attempting to hold up Dr. Burnside Foster of St. Paul at midnight, when Paul and Hayes interfered with the above results Wilson was killed by a passing posse of citizens.

Chicago Defatters.

Chicago, March 22.—On the application of the stockholders a receiver was last evening appointed for the Christopher Columbus building and loan association. The bill charges D. J. Sachel, secretary, and Carl Kronenberger, treasurer, with being short in accounts to the amount of \$35,000. Sachel is missing.

A Card.

To all relatives, neighbors and friends, Mr. and Mrs. William Menta, who reside at 1760 North Clinton street, and who recently lost their infant son by death, desire to express their grateful thanks for their kindly assistance and sympathy.

Death of Mrs. Devore.

Mrs. Peter Devore died this morning at her home in the western part of the city. She was 55 years old. The funeral services will be held from the residence at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning and the burial will be at Greenwood cemetery.

Progress Rebekah Lodge.

141, I. O. O. F. will give a social and entertainment Friday evening, March 26, at Odd Fellows hall, corner of Main and William streets. The Peake sisters of Alaska, and Miss Lena Pritchett of Niandit will be on the program. Admission 10 cents, including refreshments.—38-036

CYCLONE HORROR.

The Wind Demon Sweeps Through the State of Alabama.

SCENES OF DEATH AND SUFFERING.

Corrected List of the Dead—School Children Killed 'Outright'—Description of the Course of the Tornado.

Eufala, Ala., March 22.—This city was swept by a cyclone yesterday in which death and disaster played a dreadful part. Hourly the record becomes more thrilling.

Men were almost caught up from the streets before they could find shelter. Roofs, shutters, etc., gave way and for two hours there was terror and desolation until the cyclone passed off to the north-west coursing along the Chattahoochee valley.

Reports were soon coming in which told of the devastation. Blakely, in Georgia, was almost lifted out of existence. People seeking refuge indoors were as badly knocked around by the cracking and falling timbers as those on the outside, who were unable to dodge fence rails and other flying missiles.

The most shocking story of all came from Arlington, Early county, Georgia. It was 8 o'clock when the pupils of the Arlington academy began to assemble. About fifty were present when Professor Irvington, noticing the storm coming, called them in for shelter. On and on came the storm with a whizzing sound, increasing until it lifted two cabins across the way into midair, wrenching them into splinters. A cracking noise was heard and shutters and swinging doors were wrenched from their hinges.

Then came twisting and creaking, the central partition gave way, falling with deadly effect upon a group of children, who were clinging to the professor. The doors and windows gone, the storm had full sway within; fragments of timbers were flying in the air, children were thrown helpless against it, being caught up and dashed against the wrecked walls. The cries of the wounded and the groans of the dying are described as having been heartrending.

While all this was going on the people of the town, regardless of the wreckage of their own homes, ran to the school, where they knew the children were, only to find many of them dead and others wounded, pinioned beneath the debris.

The scenes around the building were most heartrending. Mothers clasped the forms of their loved ones in their arms, heeding not their bloody and mangled condition.

Corrected List of the Dead.

Atlanta, Ga., March 22.—The following is a corrected list of the dead as a result of the cyclone at Arlington, Georgia, yesterday: Professor W. A. Covington, Orlin Parmerman, Alice Putnam, Claud Roberts, Willie McMutchy, Abbey Murray, Albert Butler, Kennon Boynton, Maude Johnson, Mary Wellons. Four others are reported killed at Blakely, Georgia.

MARKETS.

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CHICAGO, ILL., MARCH 22, 1897.

The **REPUBLICAN** is indebted to S. Z. Taylor, dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with quotations from Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis for the following market quotations.

	Open- ing.	High est.	Low est.	Close- ing.
Wheat—				
March—	72 1/2	73 1/2	72 1/2	73 1/2
May—	70 1/2	71 1/2	70 1/2	71 1/2
July—				
March—	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2	24 1/2
May—	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2
July—				
March—	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2	16 1/2
May—	18	18 1/2	18	17 1/2
July—				
March—	8.62 1/2	8.77 1/2	8.62 1/2	8.75
May—				
March—	4.17	4.22 1/2	4.12 1/2	4.22
May—				
March—	4.67 1/2	4.70	4.65	4.65

May wheat: puts, 72 1/2; calls, 74 1/2; curb, 74 1/2.

TO-DAY'S RECEIPTS—CAR LOADS.

Wheat—18. Estimated, 20. Year ago, 46.
Corn—22; Estimated, 150; a year ago, 567.
Barley—187; Estimated, 120; a year ago, 425.

ESTIMATES FOR TO-MORROW.

Wheat, 15; Corn, 140; oats, 110.
Corn receipts 11,000; estimated, 18,000. Mar-
shley toshade lower.
Night. \$4.50@4.81 1/2. Mixed, \$4.00@4.24 1/2;
\$4.50@4.24 1/2. Tough \$5.70@5.83.50.
Estimated for to-morrow, 16,000.
Sattin receipts, 7,000. Market steady.

NEW YORK MARKET.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Wheat, May, 79 1/2;
May, 79 1/2; oats, May, 21 1/2.

NEW YORK MARKET.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Butter, steady, cream-
ed, 12 1/2c; Eggs, steady, 14 1/2c.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

ST. LOUIS, March 21.—Wheat, cash, 94c;
May, 90c; Corn, cash 21 1/2; May, 22 1/2; Oats,

ADJUSTING AFFAIRS.

BY GILBERT DOYLE.

She blushed; I gazed at her critically.

"Pon my word," I exclaimed at length, "it is positively marvelous, to think that it is close upon—"

"That is just what I don't want you to think, doctor," she interrupted.

"But, my dear Mrs. Fordyce, you actually look younger and more beautiful than you did when we were together at Simla!"

She laughed.

"We have always been in the habit of speaking plainly to one another."

"Yes," I agreed; "it saves time."

She gave me a nervous little glance.

"O," I said, reassuringly, "I am your friend."

She was playing with the edge of her fan.

"A woman is only as old as she looks," she observed, "and I was married at an extremely early age."

"St. Croix was perfectly justified in his estimate—25 he told me," I said, with a laugh. "But that is a detail; the thing that will surprise him most will be the fact that Clare exists!"

She looked at me with a smile.

"Ah, you have met her at the Roscoes?"

"Yes; I found my little ten-year-old sweetheart of Simla had grown into a dainty young lady of 18! How is it?"

I continued, "that St. Croix is ignorant of her existence?"

"Well, he assumed I had no children, and I—I could not summon up courage to tell him afterwards. You see what a difficult position I am in," she added, plaintively.

"Yes, it is difficult," I agreed. "The unexpected appearance of a full-grown daughter upon the scene might prove too heavy a strain at this critical stage of his love. A girl of 18 is a responsibility," I added.

All this time I had been hugging to myself some special intelligence. I thought it was about time to bring matters to a head.

"Mrs. Fordyce," I said, "do you really care for St. Croix?" She did not reply for a moment.

"Yes," she said simply; "I really love him. O, can't you suggest some children?"

"Have you actually proposed to her?"

"Not yet," he replied thoughtfully, "but I feel that it is as good as settled. Ingram," he continued, with an air of enthusiasm, "she's adorable. She—"

"My dear St. Croix," I said, "these confidences remind me of the good old days."

"Ah," he replied, with a sigh, "this is no boyish flirtation!"

"By Jove!" he cried, as an idea struck him, "you two will get on capitally together. Having both been in India, you will be able to—"

"Chat about her husband?" I suggested.

St. Croix looked serious.

"Poor child," he said in a compassionate tone. "She must have been very unhappy during that time!"

It is strange how men generally refer to their wives' first marriages in this way.

"We are admirably suited," he continued, his face lighting up. "I am 30 and she—well, I should say she is 25. A man should be a year or so older than his wife."

"Yes," I agreed, "she is very young for a widow."

"Much too young," replied St. Croix; "that's one reason why she should marry again!"

"True," I said. "How long has it been going on?"

He considered for a few minutes.

"I first saw her," he said, slowly, "at ten minutes to nine on Monday last week!"

"My dear fellow!" I exclaimed, "you must hurry up matters; the lady will positively weary of the courtship!"

Just then the cab drew up with a jolt.

"Here we are," said St. Croix. "Jump out!"

After greeting our hostess we separated. Several people of my acquaintance were there, and I had to go through the usual number of duty dances. Presently I saw St. Croix coming towards me.

"Ingram," he said, taking me by the arm, "come with me."

There is nobody so exacting as a man in love.

"She is waiting to be introduced to you," he said, as we made our way to the conservatory. Here, in a secluded corner (for St. Croix is experienced in these matters), we found the lady.

"Mrs. Fordyce," said St. Croix, "allow me to—"

"Mrs. Fordyce!"

I looked at her, then burst out laughing.

"Dr. Ingram!" she exclaimed.

"You know one another?" cried St. Croix, with a puzzled look.

"Why," I said, "I have known Mrs. Fordyce since—"

"Yes, Dr. Ingram and I are quite old friends," she interrupted, with a glance at me.

I understood.

"That is jolly!" St. Croix said, heartily.

I am not sure that Mrs. Fordyce agreed with him entirely.

The strains of a waltz came through the open doors. St. Croix looked at his programme.

"Better!" he cried. "It's my dance with the daughter of the house. Will you kindly look after Mrs. Fordyce, Ingram?"

"I should be delighted," I replied, and he hurried off.

As soon as he had disappeared I turned to Mrs. Fordyce.

"It's all very odd," I remarked.

"What?" she queried—"that you should turn out to be the friend Mr. St. Croix has been talking to me about?"

I smiled; the quaintness of the whole matter seemed infinitely amusing to me.

"No," I said, "that you should be the lady whose charms he has been describing to me."

"WORN OUT."

A COMMON EXPRESSION USED BY AMERICAN WOMEN.

Many do not realize the Full Significance of These Two Words.

When a woman is nervous and irritable, head and back ache, feels tired all the time, loses sleep and appetite, has pains in groins, bearing-down sensation, whites and irregularities, she is not "worn out," but feels as if she were.

Such symptoms tell her



that a womb trouble is imminent, and she cannot act too promptly if she values her future comfort and happiness.

The experience and testimony of some of the most noted women of America, go to prove beyond a question that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will correct all such trouble at once by removing the cause and restoring the organs to a healthy and normal condition. If in doubt, write Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., as thousands of women do.

Here is a lady who says:—

"Let me add my name to your list of testimonials. For years I suffered with such a weakness of the back I could not stand straight. I had terrible pains in my womb. The doctor said an operation must be performed, as there was no other way to be cured. I was afraid to have the operation performed, and kept trying the medicines that I saw advertised. At last I tried yours. After taking three bottles I felt like a new woman. I recommend it to every woman, and cannot praise it enough, for it saved me from the surgeon's knife."—Mrs. MARK BUCH, Dolgeville, N. Y.

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J. F. GIVEN Manager.

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The Brilliant and Eloquent Ex-U. S. Senator from Georgia, will appear at the Grand Opera House,

MONDAY EVE., MARCH 29.

And deliver his Famous Patriotic Lecture, "The Last Days of the Confederacy."

Under the auspices of Dunham Hall, No. 141, Grand Army of the Republic.

The press and veterans unite in praise of Gen. Gordon's lecture: "He ought to be heard by every young American." "It is a superb lecture." "He is a speaker of magnetic eloquence." "A soldier above reproach, a statesman without a blemish, an orator whose peers are few"—are a number of the press comments.

PRICES.

Parquet and first three rows in the Dress Circle, 75c; first three rows in Balcony, 50c; General Admission to first floor and Balcony, 25c; Gallery, 15c; Lower Boxes, \$5.00; Upper Boxes, \$4.00.

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Beer on Draught and for Table Use.

Free Music all the time by the Graphophone. Come and hear it.

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One lot of Ladies' Sample Jackets and Capes, less than half their value.

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A great feature with us this season. We have just opened up some very stylish Ready-made Suits for today.

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One lot Ladies' Fancy Check Skirts, all colors, at.....\$2.50

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\$5.00 FOR MEN

None as cheap and nice ever shown before. Buying goods cheaper and better line obtainable and guarantee of

We will sell Black Cloth Suits

Sewed with pure Die Silk, made

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Open Saturday

All the Newest Styles. What's new can be found here. Mail, and better goods

Thousands of

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It is the largest and most complete variety of goods usually, we offer you a dollar's worth of goods for the worth of money.

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Every one a good

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\$1.50. \$1.50.

They attract more attention (from prize fight). They are wearers; they look better than lots of shoes. Get them only of us.....

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\$5.00 FOR MEN'S PURE ALL WOOL SUITS.
AT \$6.00, AT \$7.00 AND UPWARD

None as cheap and nice ever shown in our place. This season you can depend on
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We will sell Black Clay All Worsted Suits,
 Sewed with pure Die Silk, made and trimmed first-class, Sack and Frock styles, at

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Our Line of Bicycles for
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They attract more attention (from the ladies) than the big
 prize fight. They are wearers; they are foot comforters, and
 they look better than lots of shoes sold at \$2.00. You can
 get them only of us.....\$1.50

The men buy them and tell their friends they cost \$3.00
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 221 North Water Street.

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The Grand Opera House cigars made
 by Johnny Weigand are the best in town.
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Sparrow's fine chocolate for sale at
 the Opera House Drug store.

Tender roast beef with brown gravy
 served at noon daily at Singleton's restau-
 rant.—Oct 11dtf

Chilton & Co. will move soon to the old
 Linn & Scruggs building at the corner of
 Franklin and William streets.

Buy your flower and garden seeds at
 W. H. Gullett & Son's flower store. They
 keep the best. Plant your sweet peas
 early. Do it now, no delay. Stiff clay
 soil is best for them. W. B. Gullett &
 Sons, Millikin Building.—80-dtf

No better soft coal in this market than
 Lincoln or Riverton. Lincoln is the hard-
 est of any coal within 100 miles of Deca-
 tur and the harder the coal the longer it
 will burn. Hard coal all sizes, always in
 stock at market price. Up town office,
 Irwin's drug store, office and yard 800
 North Broadway, old phone 438, new
 phone 438. M. F. Metz.—81-dtf

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 dresses, cloaks and capes chemically
 dyed, cleaned and pressed with
 ripping apart. Chenille and Portier
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 Miller's Steam Dye House and Dry
 Cleaning Works, 145 N. Main street.

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LEM WILEY'S GOOD FORTUNE.

Appointed Lieutenant of Police at the
 Capitol in Washington, D. C.

Lem H. Wiley of Peoria, the popular
 bugler who is well known in this city and
 who has been a candidate for the position
 of doorkeeper at the White House, has re-
 ceived word of his appointment as lieu-
 tenant of police at the national capital.
 He has been advised to come to Washing-
 ton at once and will leave for that city on
 Thursday. During his residence in Wash-
 ington he has secured a position to play
 the cornet in one of the leading churches.
 Mr. Wiley's friends in this city will be
 glad to learn of his appointment. He ap-
 peared here during the late campaign with
 Governor Tanner and made a decided hit.

Colored Society Minstrels.

Colored society will revel in a minstrel
 performance at the opera house on Friday
 night which is to be given, according to
 the advertisement by the colored society
 ladies. It is for the benefit of the Pride
 Tabernacle and promises to be a warm
 event. In order to fill up the half circle
 some of the colored men who have good
 voices have been admitted as performers
 and the company has been carefully re-
 hearsed for a number of weeks past. The
 program in addition to the musical num-
 bers will include a few special features
 and a grand cake walk which promises to
 be the event of the evening.

The Program.

Part I—Interlocutor—Wilson Woodford.
 Bonus—Dick Thorpe, John Doonan,
 George Lee.
 Tambos—Albert Clark, Ed Thompson,
 Jordan Stokes.
 Opening Chorus—"Ole Shady."
 "Mr. Johnson Turn Me Loose"—Dick
 Thorpe.

"Dis Coon Lube Me"—George Lee.
 "Ky Baby"—Mrs. Bettie Thompson.
 "Sweet Antionette"—Miss Gussie Hol-
 land.

Duet—Birdie Thompson and Willie B.
 Mosby.
 Finals—"Hot Time in This Old Town
 Tonight," John Hakwins.

Part II—Southern scenes on the levee—
 Introducing songs and dances, crap games,
 buck and wing dancing, practical jokes,
 plantation quartet, and "The Bully of
 the Levee," by the entire male portion of
 the company.

Part III—The Black Adonis—Intro-
 ducing hand balancing, hand leaping and
 equilibrium.

Part IV—Introducing entire company
 in original southern cake walk, the audi-
 ence to decide the winners.

Social Events.

Last night members of Olive Branch
 camp of Royal Neighbors enjoyed a po-
 verty social at the home of George Nichol-
 son on Macon street. They wore their old
 clothes and were glad they did so when
 the rain came. About thirty persons were
 present and for refreshments they were
 served beans, corn bread, pickles, coffee
 and other such delicacies. Among those
 who attended were I. D. Sine, S. D. Mc-
 Lean, Fred Zimmerly, Simon Dientler,
 George Bedford, I. L. Martin, sr., Dr. H.
 M. Wood and their wives, Mrs. Warren,
 Mrs. Lee Cope, Mrs. Will Poase, Mrs.
 Spillman, Mrs. Mary Selgier, Mrs. Sarah
 Lowry, Mrs. Clayton Clements, Mrs. Ber-
 man Koeppe, Mrs. Marie Wilson, Miss
 Dora Spillman, Miss Hattie Martin, Ar-
 thur Poase and others.

The eleventh birthday anniversary of
 Lola Garver was celebrated last night at
 the home of her parents on North Water
 street. The evening was spent with games
 and music. Those present included Ver-
 na and Orville Martin, Ethel Dudley,
 Archie Saylor, Homer Ellis of Cerro Gor-
 do and Irene Deetz, Fanny Freeman,
 Grace Pope, Gertrude Mallory, Edith
 Shellbarger, Irene Churchman, Birdie
 Garver, Bertha Heminger, Bessie Cross-
 ley, Pauline Wackman, Cora Jacobs,
 Amy Hoffman, Vinca and Frankie Book-
 shire, Jessie Hoffman, Maude Downing,
 Edna Siffer, Mabel O'Brien, Frank Hun-
 ter, Arthur Robertson, Roy Hunsley,
 Glen Pope, Herman Churchman, Elmer
 Jacobs, Roy Johnston, John Garver, Har-
 ry Garver, Homer Garver. During the
 evening there was a guessing contest in
 which Pauline Wackman and Roy
 Johnston won the prizes.

FOR RENT.

Three Suites of Rooms in Fairfield Build-
 ing.

Suite of Two Rooms—
 With clothes closet and private water
 closet and toilet, per month \$12.50.

Suite of Two Rooms—
 With clothes closets and private water
 closet and toilet, per month \$10.

Suite of Two Rooms—
 With clothes closets, but no private
 water closet, per month \$10.

These prices include water rent.
 I. D. Sine, Architect, Agent,
 Fairfield Building.

Bread! Bread!
 We have not been able to supply the de-
 mand for our Blue label malt extract
 bread for the past few Saturdays. We
 will tomorrow make a special effort to
 see that all are supplied in the future.
 For sale at all grocery stores.
 19-46 The Decatur Cracker Co.

Notice
 There will be a called meeting of all
 laboring men on Wednesday evening at
 cigarmaker's hall. By order of Commit-
 tee.

Garden Seeds.
 Just received a large stock of all kinds
 of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden
 seeds. At the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s.—
 Jan 29-dwtf

Verdict for \$3750.

In the circuit court at Clinton in the
 case of Nettie Birchbaugh, administra-
 trix, vs Walter Evans et al, the jury
 brought in a verdict for \$3750 for the
 plaintiff. The charge against Engineer
 Evans and Conductor Castles for crimi-
 nal negligence, resulting in the death of
 Charles Birchbaugh in the Kirkbeck
 wreck. Sam Welty and Colonel John
 Sterling and Judge G. K. Ingham ap-
 peared for the prosecution and Grout & Con-
 kling and Moore, Warner & Lemon for the
 defendant.

Hickory Point Democrats.

At the convention of Democrats of
 Hickory Point township Saturday the
 following ticket was named:
 Supervisor—Hazikiah Hayz.
 Assessor—William Secrist.
 Collector—D. S. Wrigel.
 Commissioner of Highways—A. T.
 Mettlin.

Justices of the Peace—D. A. Good and
 J. B. Parkhurst.
 Constable—G. A. Braden.
 Cemetery Trustees—H. D. Wrigel.

Gone South.

Jimmy Martin, who will play ball
 with the Austin team in the Texas state
 league this season, left last night to join
 the players. The team will begin prac-
 ticing at Austin April 1. He expects Leo
 Mesmer, who will also play with Austin,
 to join him at St. Louis.

Phonose Conley was seen yesterday and
 asked whether he would play the coming
 season. His answer was evasive. He
 said he was on his way to the postoffice to
 see if there was any mail for him. The
 inference was that Phonose is yet without an
 engagement.

Will Exchange Pulpits.

Bloomington Pantagraph: On Easter
 Sunday Rev. A. Snow & Co., solicitors
 of American and foreign patents, opposite
 U. S. Patent Office, Washington, D. C.
 A. H. Arp, Moline, check rein book; F.
 E. Bosong, Wataeka, telephone switch-
 board plug; M. E. Brown, Newman, bal-
 ling press; W. T. Brunner, Kaukaue,
 corn planter; C. M. Crook, Elgin, electric
 clock setting mechanism; J. W. Gibbons,
 Jacksonville, reel for fence wire, A. T.
 Irion, Morrisonville, whip socket; E. D.
 Kimbark, Evanston, wrapper; C. W. Lei-
 ser, Carlinville, reaper; S. W. Myers,
 Sugar Grove, planter attachment, W. F.
 Olin, East Alton, can stopper; J. W. Par-
 ker, West Pullman, check-row chain or
 wire; W. E. Phelps, Elmwood, substructure
 for bridges; H. Kingness, Peoria,
 meter seal; T. Sawyer, Towanda, gate;
 G. A. Scheffer, Peoria, dynamo electric
 machine; W. D. Smith, Prophetstown,
 sample holder; G. W. Weiss, Springfield,
 hand cutter and feeder for threshing ma-
 chines; T. S. Wheelwright, Highland
 Park, seal lock.

Mr. Hobart for City Attorney.

T. M. Hobart, who has been an active
 worker in the Republican ranks over
 since the organization of the party, is for-
 mally announced as a candidate for city
 attorney subject to the decision of the Re-
 publican convention. Never before has
 Mr. Hobart asked for a nomination for
 office, but for some weeks he has been
 making an active personal canvass. He
 has been an attorney for thirty-five years,
 part of the time in active practice. He
 has had considerable experience in the
 practice of criminal and corporation law
 and possesses all of the necessary qualifi-
 cations for the place he seeks. Mr. Ho-
 bart's last legal work was in closing up
 the receivership of the Bellair, Zanesville
 & Cincinnati railroad company, making
 voluminous reports to the court. Person-
 ally Mr. Hobart is widely and favorably
 known in this community. His nomina-
 tion would be equivalent to election.

The Eichinger Case Again.

Last evening a citation was issued in
 the circuit court to J. W. Race to appear
 tomorrow morning and show cause why
 he should not be required to turn over to
 S. S. Jack, assignee of Michael Eichinger,
 the money paid into his hands as con-
 servator of Michael Eichinger. By the
 terms of the settlement between the as-
 signee and the conservator the former, so
 it is said, was to pay over to the assignee
 all the money and property that had been
 placed in his hands. Now it is said that
 J. W. Race has some money paid on notes
 that he has not turned over. The amount
 is believed to be about \$175. It is under-
 stood that Mr. Race claims that he has
 paid out some of that money and so does
 not have to turn over. The terms of the
 agreement were that he was to turn over
 all that he had received and the fact of
 having paid out some does not, it is
 claimed, relieve him of responsibility for
 the money.

Attempted Suicide.

J. C. Kennedy a resident of Atwood,
 Platt county, endeavored to commit sui-
 cide at Skonington Sunday by jumping
 from a ladder while in an unsteady con-
 dition of mind. He failed in his attempt
 and was taken to his home on Monday.

Supervisor McKinney of Christian
 county had a talk with Kennedy, who
 said that he spent Friday night on the
 bridge that crosses the Sangamon near
 Decatur, and that several times during
 the night he had decided to drown him-
 self but was prevented from so doing by a
 fear of the punishment that would be
 meted out to him after death. He does
 not talk as incoherently as one would ex-
 pect from an insane person, but the fiery
 gleam of his eyes betrays his violent con-
 dition of mind. He claims to have three
 children. He says his wife got a divorce
 from him about a year ago. From his
 actions it is presumed that this is the
 cause of his mental trouble. He gave his
 age as 35 years and his occupation, ditch-
 ing.

Death of a Child.

Vera, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O.
 M. Craig, died of membranous croup
 Sunday evening at the family home near
 Mt. Zion, aged 6 years. The funeral was
 held at 2:30 o'clock Monday from the res-
 idence. The services were conducted by
 Rev. Cochran.

At The Grand.

"The Tornado."
 Earth, fire, water, wind and electricity
 will be called into play at the Grand
 Thursday evening, March 25, when Lin-
 coln J. Carter's well known melodrama,
 "The Tornado," will be given with its
 wealth of weird and wonderful scenic and
 mechanical aids. It is really a good melo-
 drama and has enjoyed a well merited
 success. That portion of the amusement
 public which dotes on melodrama will en-
 joy a feast next week.

Melodrama, however much we may
 sneer at it, is severely relished by the
 most base, when the story is well conceiv-
 ed and well told and especially when the
 scenic environments are well thought
 out, well constructed and in keeping
 with the necessities of the story. The
 scenic and mechanical effects which aid
 in the exposition of this story are almost
 impossible to the non-professional mind.
 Great streaks of forked lightning crack
 across the stage of the mimic ships, the
 vast ocean seems real, the horrors of the
 tornado are shown, even to the minutest
 detail. The wind is made to howl and
 shriek like a thousand liberated demons.
 And it is real wind, produced by a com-
 plicated mechanical arrangement.

List of Patents.

Granted to Illinois inventors this week:
 Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., solicitors
 of American and foreign patents, opposite
 U. S. Patent Office, Washington, D. C.

A. H. Arp, Moline, check rein book; F.
 E. Bosong, Wataeka, telephone switch-
 board plug; M. E. Brown, Newman, bal-
 ling press; W. T. Brunner, Kaukaue,
 corn planter; C. M. Crook, Elgin, electric
 clock setting mechanism; J. W. Gibbons,
 Jacksonville, reel for fence wire, A. T.
 Irion, Morrisonville, whip socket; E. D.
 Kimbark, Evanston, wrapper; C. W. Lei-
 ser, Carlinville, reaper; S. W. Myers,
 Sugar Grove, planter attachment, W. F.
 Olin, East Alton, can stopper; J. W. Par-
 ker, West Pullman, check-row chain or
 wire; W. E. Phelps, Elmwood, substructure
 for bridges; H. Kingness, Peoria,
 meter seal; T. Sawyer, Towanda, gate;
 G. A. Scheffer, Peoria, dynamo electric
 machine; W. D. Smith, Prophetstown,
 sample holder; G. W. Weiss, Springfield,
 hand cutter and feeder for threshing ma-
 chines; T. S. Wheelwright, Highland
 Park, seal lock.

Over the Wheels.

One of the chief factors in the construc-
 tive worth of Cleveland wheels is to be
 found in the fact that from the greatest
 part down to the least, every portion of
 the bicycle is built in Cleveland factories.
 In these days such a fact as this means
 much to the buyer. A bicycle should be
 a harmonious whole, not a haphazard
 combination of discordant parts. Each
 part, no matter how small and appar-
 ently insignificant, must harmonize with
 every other part, if the highest type of
 mechanical and artistic construction is to
 be achieved, and no one can critically ex-
 amine the new Cleveland models without
 realizing that each part of these superb
 machines is so well proportioned with
 others that the completed bicycle is the es-
 sence of well balanced, strength and un-
 derstandable taste. This is what makes
 a machine run easily and last for years
 without expensive repair bills. And you
 never have to walk home.

Ask some of the hardest riders in Deca-
 tur who have used the same machine for
 the last five years, and are riding them
 today.

We will take pleasure in showing you
 samples or sending you catalogue.

H. Mueller Gun Co.

Will Appeal the Case.

In Justice Hardy's court yesterday in
 the case of Jesse Leforgue vs Mrs. Anna
 Hamster, a decision was given in favor of
 the plaintiff, requiring the defendant to
 pay him \$200 commission for the sale of a
 farm. The sale was made it was claimed
 by George M. Ehrhart, but Mr. Leforgue
 satisfied the court that he had first shown
 the purchaser the property, afterward
 Ehrhart making the sale. Doubtless an
 appeal will be taken.

Public Sale.

I will sell at my farm two miles west
 of Decatur on the Springfield road Satur-
 day, March 27, at 10 o'clock a. m., the
 following live stock:

Twenty head of Jersey, Holstein and
 Short Horn cows and heifers.
 18-dtd D. C. Moffitt.

Lecture on Art.

Monday Miss Laura Jones read a paper
 on art before the members of the high
 school. The address was interesting and
 instructive to the students who are study-
 ing drawing.

Awarded

Highest Honors—World's Fair.

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ge stock of these goods which we will close
t cost.

Brand—Ladies' Hose, a pair.....16c
y Brand, for a pair.....25c
y Brand, for a pair.....33c

on in price on all of our Children's Hosiery

ollection of Ladies' and Children's Hosiery
Decatur at just about half the price you

a few specimen bargains:

ast Black Hose, 2 pair for.....5c
Seamless Fast Black Hose, Double Heels
air.....7c
Seamless Fast Black Hose, Double Sole
Heel, a pair.....10c
IMPORTED Fast Black Hose, 40 gauge,
and 5-inch Spliced Heel, regular 25c
air.....15c

l Dress Fabrics.

t Seasonable Stuff shown in this depart-
ment. Isn't the magnitude of our assort-
ment to you? YOU know that we have
you know that we have the right qual-
ity few items will convince you that we HAVE
PRICES.

25 pieces of the "Gold Medal" Fan-
cies; black only. This lot is opened
for the first time on our counters
this (Monday) morning. Regular
\$1.25 goods for a yard.....85c

10 pieces 48 inch French Poplins, the
newest Plain Weave, in the latest
colors and black. Our price; yd, 75c

Our center counters will continue to
be a Great Attraction. These 50c
Fancies are Beautiful and we are
adding new things to the display
daily. Remember the price, your
choice for a yard.....50c

erns, full length, and no two alike, from
each.

anvas Cloth in black are very popular this
have a large assortment of them in Plain
effects, from 50c to \$1.25 a yard.

terns. These patterns are ultra-stylish and
the right price, \$7.50 to \$19.50 each.

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cradle back and forth. A wire frame-work supports the canopy, which is of lace upheld by metallic cups. The lace can be drawn entirely over the sleeping baby.

Wicker clothes baskets can be used in the same way, but a carpenter must be employed to fasten the baskets to the uprights, or baby will be startled from his slumber by a fall. Cradles of metal are best because they can be kept thoroughly clean. When the small springs and bedding are removed the cradle can be washed like a dish.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The Cradina's Coronet.

It is said by the authorities on jewels and jewelry that the coronet of the Russian empress is the most beautiful collection of diamonds ever gathered in one ornament. It is composed of four very large diamonds of the purest water and 18 others of slightly smaller size, together with a multitude of lesser diamonds of exquisite water. The flash of these beautiful gems reminds the observer of a collection of rainbows.

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TO THE SOUTH.

BRUSHING THE TEETH.

The Proper Way in Which to Perform This Important Operation.

The upper teeth should be brushed downward and the lower teeth upward from the gums. Do not brush the teeth crossways, as they are apt to become loosened and the gums will also suffer. The inside of the teeth should be brushed in the same way. Tepid water is the best to use both for cleansing the teeth and rinsing the mouth out afterward.

The tooth brush should be small and curved, so that the bristles can get in all the interstices of the teeth. It should not be too hard, and, when a new toothbrush is purchased, it should be soaked in water for several hours before using. If the brush is dried on a towel after being used, and stood up on end in the air, it will last much longer. Tooth-brushes should never be kept in closed receptacles.

Tooth powder should be chosen with great discretion. For general use the following will be found a very good powder: Mix together half an ounce of powdered bark, a quarter of an ounce of myrrh, one drachm of camphor and one ounce of prepared chalk.

Another simple recipe is as follows: Add two ounces of camphorated chalk, two drachms of very fine powdered borax, half an ounce of powdered orris-root and half a drachm of powdered myrrh; mix the ingredients thoroughly together and keep the powder in a stoppered bottle.—San Francisco Chronicle.



TO THE SOUTH.

BOLEN & LANNING, Real Estate Dealers, have another of their popular EXCURSIONS TO TEXAS on TUESDAY, APRIL 2TH, where they are selling so much of their choice cheap lands near Houston and Galveston. These lands are smooth, level, prairie, most of them new and rich, have never had a plow in them. We can sell you cheaper and better lands, better terms than any one else can take exchange in on some of them. Write us for circulars. We also do a general exchange business; have land to exchange for stocks of goods, goods to exchange for land. In fact, call on us with almost any kind of a trade. Especially notice their circulars on the country across the bayou from Galveston. Write us or call and see us in Millikin bank building, Decatur, Ill.

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THE SHELL CRADLE.

Beautiful Novelty That is Used for Play as Well as Sleep.

Babies should be healthy, for there were never so many things made for their health and comfort. The newest of these is a shell cradle, that can be used for play as well as for sleep.

This cradle is all in one piece, the material being either silver plate or white metal. There are solid silver shells for the goldspoon baby and aluminum shells for mothers that want a very light cradle, one that is easy to lift from room to room.

The shell is hung from two rods, one at either end. Its pivot is such that it swings at a touch. When baby is awake he can amuse himself by swaying his

WHERE MODJESKA RESTS.

has been set to orchards of oranges, walnuts, olives and deciduous fruits, and a considerable vineyard. The mountain sides afford abundant grazing for the flocks and herds.

Two miles or more from the entrance, after a sharp turn in the road, and once more crossing the stream, we have our first glimpse of the house and grounds. The broad lawns, beneath the spreading live-oaks, make a delightfully cool and restful picture. The house is nestled within a crescent of the mountain, which rises behind it in terraced greenery. In front of the house is an old-fashioned, stone-curbed well, from which an "iron-bound bucket" draws deliciously cold water. Hammocks and easy chairs invite you to linger and listen to the murmur of the stream, the splash of the fountain, the song of the birds, the drone of the bee; while you drink in deep breaths of exhilarating air, and gaze your fill upon the mountain peaks, the deep blue sky and the fern-draped terraces.

Beyond the house the scene becomes more wild and rugged; the mountains crouch closer together, leaving only room for the road and the stream to "wind about and in and out" until the road disappears and nature is left in undisturbed sublimity. Count Bozenta, with the aid of Ralph Modjeska's engineering skill, has conducted water from these mountain solitudes for domestic purposes and for irrigating his orchards. In the improvements that have been made there has been an effort to supplement the natural beauties, but to leave nature as undisturbed as possible, and the result is most pleasing.

The house is quaint and attractive in its appearance, charming in its arrangement and interesting throughout. But the room about which the rest of the house seems to cluster is a large one which serves as studio, library and music room combined. The walls are lined with bookcases, containing valuable libraries in Polish, French and English. A fireplace of medieval design, built of hewn stone, with a high narrow shelf, is ornamental; the cool evenings and mornings are made more comfortable by its open fire. Couches in cozy corners, an organ, and a concert grand piano, combine with pictures and art treasures picked up in all lands to make this room most quaint and attractive. The light comes through a stained-glass window high up in the north gable. I recall a summer's evening when the fading light of the sunset afterglow fell softly through the stained-glass of the window, and the shadows crept from their hiding places and reached out their arms to chase the day away; when the sweet strains of Ave Maria filled the quaint room with melody, and the mind with a tangle of weird fancies, that made it all seem a picture from an old-time story book.—Land of Sunshine.

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MODJESKA'S HOME.

A Quaint and Beautiful Place, Not Far from Los Angeles.

Connoisseurs in art and lovers of nature, some years ago she and her husband came by chance upon a wild and beautiful spot in the mountains of the coast range, about 50 miles south-east of Los Angeles, which took such hold upon their fancy that they were never satisfied until they had established their resting headquarters there. And, indeed, one could scarcely imagine a more ideal retreat than this.

Far away from the hurry and bustle, up in a canyon where are purring streams, and nodding ferns, and spreading live-oaks, nestled within a crescent of the mountains, is the unpretentious white frame villa—"Arden" they have called this mountain home, in honor of Shakespeare's "Forest of Arden." Here Modjeska comes each summer to spend as much time as her busy life will permit. The drive from the fertile Santa Ana valley leads through the Santiago canyon, one of the most beautiful spots in southern California, and is charming beyond description. So gradual is the ascent, that one passes from an elevation of 500 feet above the sea level to 2,500 feet, scarcely realizing that one has been climbing. The road winds through groves of immense live-oak, sycamore trees, whose branches are festooned with wild grapevine, woodbine and other creepers, and crosses again and again a beautiful mountain stream. Here and there stand out great bunches of the tall white California poppies, and in their season the stately yuccas, crowned with their great white panicles, the feathery elder, the white clematis and large beds of cactus, brilliant with their beautiful yellow and crimson blossoms and ripe "tunas." The erected road-runners scamper ahead of the horses; the doves call across the canyon, and flocks of startled quail whirl from coverts by the roadside.

At last we find ourselves at the entrance to the Modjeska canyon, which widens into a magnificent natural park. By buying up different "claims" from old mountaineers, they have now about 2,000 acres of land. The tillable part

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CAPE—New Capes just received at \$2.75, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$5.00, \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$10.00 each.

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GIVING THE FISHES AIR.

The Various Methods Employed to Effect This End in Aquariums.

Fishes, like other animals, need air for their existence, and they find it in the waters they inhabit. All living waters contain more or less air; and when water becomes stagnant and dead the fishes in it die. Water becomes aerated in various ways. A mountain stream, breaking over rocks and tumbling down in waterfalls, gathers air in its foam and spray. Rivers and lakes absorb more or less air with every ripple upon the surface, and the ocean absorbs air with its breaking waves.

In aquariums the water in the tank is kept sweet by a constant inflow of new water, the surplus running off by an overflow pipe. There are some tanks in which the water is not removed except to supply that lost by evaporation, aeration in these tanks being produced by the introduction of just the right amount of plant life; but the greater number of tanks, including usually all the larger tanks, are circulating tanks; they are kept sweet by the circulation of the water in them. It is customary to filter the water used in aquariums; that process, however, is no longer necessary with the salt water used in the aquarium in this city. The aquarium is in a building which stands at the edge of the bay, upon filled-in ground, and its salt water supply is obtained from a well sunk upon the premises; it is drawn through what is in effect a good natural filter.

It is a common practice in all large aquariums so to arrange the main supply pipes over the supply tanks that the water from the pipes shall fall through the air for a number of feet before reaching the surface of the water in the supply tanks. This is a simple and effective method of aeration; the water falling through the air carries more or less air with it into the body of water in the storage tank. Under ordinary weather conditions the natural aeration of the water, supplemented by that produced from the fall from the supply pipes into the supply tanks, is sufficient for the wants of the fishes. Under some weather conditions, however, it is not sufficient, and then an added supply is desirable.

Sometimes it is necessary to shut off the circulation from the tanks in which the fishes are, and if the circulation is suspended for any considerable time it is necessary to use great care to preserve the life of the fishes. How long fishes would live in a circulating tank without any circulation would depend, of course, upon the size of the tank and the number of fishes in it. In tanks of ordinary size and containing an average number of fishes, the fishes, if uncared for, would exhaust the oxygen in two or three hours or less. They would come nearer the surface and take air there, or try to, but they don't like air taken in that way, and they cannot live upon it; sooner or later they would turn over on their sides and die. When the supply is turned on again in a tank from which the circulation has been cut off, the fishes gather around the intake pipe to bathe their gills in the life-sustaining new water.

There are various methods of aerating the water in the tanks during a suspension of circulation, or when the amount of air from the ordinary sources in the water of tanks in circulation is insufficient for the welfare of the fishes. The artificial aeration of tanks out of circulation is, however, only a temporary expedient to carry the fishes more comfortably than would otherwise be possible through the period of temporary suspension; the vitality of the water and the life of the fishes could not by these means alone be greatly prolonged.—N. Y. Sun.

AFTER THE JESUITS.

Indian Treatment of the Indians by the Spanish.

The Jesuits were expelled in 1763 from the missions. From this time until 1801 the colonies, as they were then called, languished under the rule of the Spanish, corruptly administered from Buenos Ayres. At this date all east of the Uruguay was conquered from the Spanish by the Portuguese. The cities were almost completely destroyed and the inhabitants massacred, taken prisoners or driven from the country.

During the reign of the Spanish, from 1763 to 1801, their treatment of the Indians was so inhuman that the poor creatures were continually escaping back to the forest, until at the time of the conquest by the Portuguese in 1801 there were not over 40,000 in all the missions. To-day, of the 33 cities there once so populous and prosperous, there are only a very few that have inhabitants at all, and in these the total population would not exceed 10,000.

Although at present difficult of access, a visit to the ruins of these old Jesuit cities would interest the curious. Large trees are growing in the center of churches, the domestic shrubs and flowers mingle with the wild forest growth that covers the debris of fallen houses; here is a Corinthian column and there a stone or fragments of fine carved cornices lying about in profuse abundance.—Lippincott's.

The Green Cross.

In addition to the Red Cross society and the White Cross, which gives aid to sick or convalescent soldiers, there has just been established at Vienna a new order which will be known as that of the "Green Cross." Its object and aim is to give succor to Alp climbers and excursionists in mountain regions. It originated in the Austrian Alpine club. The intention is to establish huts upon high mountains and to keep supplies and relief stores or boxes containing articles apt to be required in emergencies at conveniently located points. Besides this, guides are to be instructed in first aid to the injured and trained in the application of splints and antiseptic dressings.—Medical Record.

—The happy people are not those who do right, but those who are blessed with conceit.—Athenian Globe.

Free Pills.

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick Headache. For Malaria and Liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c per box. Sold by West, Druggist.

Hon. Thomas Cooper of Peoria, who has been spending the winter in Mexico, brought home with him a large collection of curiosities which he has placed on exhibition. Among them is a stone Indian god which he will present to the Peoria library.

You should know that Foley's Honey and Tar is absolutely the best remedy for all diseases of the Throat, Chest or Lungs. Dealers are authorized to guarantee it to give satisfaction in all cases. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Stuart Stayton, a young man of 18 years of age was feeding a corn shodder near Urbana last Tuesday when his hand was drawn into the machine and his arm received injuries necessitating amputation at the shoulder.

Minutes seem like hours when a life is at stake. Croup gives no time to send for a doctor; delay may mean death. One Minute Cough Cure gives instant relief and insures recovery. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Fisher Reporter—A farmer living near town rents from a gentleman from Chicago. The lease has a new clause, "Thou shalt not dance." As the young ladies of the household do not dance, it is easy to keep the clause unbroken.

Another Good Man Gone Wrong. He failed to use Foley's Kidney Cure for his kidney complaint. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

The new library building in Peoria has been burglarized for the first time on Friday night. The safe of the librarian was broken open and about \$25 carried off, the burglars leaving no clue.

A White Mark. Foley's Kidney Cure is a perfectly reliable preparation for all Kidney and Bladder diseases. The proprietors of this Great Medicine guarantee it or the money refunded. Do they not deserve a white mark? H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

A machine to paint by means of a current of air blown through a pipe is to be introduced in the car shops at Champaign. It is said it will reduce the cost of painting 50 per cent.

Lost—A dear little child who made home happy by its smiles. And to think, it might have been saved had the parents only kept in the house One Minute Cough Cure, the infallible remedy for croup. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

J. E. Dalby of Springfield came in contact with a live wire Thursday about 900 volts of electricity passing through his body. Although rendered totally unconscious he will probably recover.

Constipation in its worst forms, dyspepsia, sick headache, biliousness and derangement of the liver are readily cured by DeWitt's Little Early Kidney Pills. These little pills never gripe. Small pill, safe pill, best pill. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

J. T. Clarno of Farmer City has bought 622 horses in that vicinity during the last year for which he has paid an average of about \$72 per head. He ships to Chicago.

Foley's Honey and Tar Cough Syrup wherever introduced is considered the most pleasant and effective remedy for all throat and lung complaints. It is the only prominent cough medicine that contains no opiates and can safely be given to children. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

The trustees of the university at Champaign have voted to add a school of law to the institution. This department will be opened in September at Urbana.

Something for burns, scalds, chapped hands and lips. Healing for cuts and sores. Instant relief for piles, stops pain at once. These are the virtues of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

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C. E. James of Farmer City recently sold a speedy pacing mare to a Boston buyer for \$600.

Chicora, Pa., "Herald": Richard Vinsel reports One Minute Cough Cure the greatest success of medical science. He told us that it cured his whole family of terrible coughs and colds, after all other so-called cures had failed entirely. Mr. Vinsel said it assisted his children through a very bad siege of measles. One Minute Cough Cure makes expectation very easy and rapid. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Two large tracts of land were sold last week near Mt. Pulaski at an average of \$77.69 per acre.

Two Well Known Statesmen talked for months, from a front porch and rear end of a car. Perhaps the use of Foley's Honey and Tar will explain why they could do this, without injury to their vocal organs. It is largely used by speakers and singers. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

THE TIME HAS COME

for a change in dress, and everybody is pondering on what to wear.

Our Spring Clothing

is now upon our counters.

...PERFECT IN FIT...

Our Children's Department Contains the Latest Novelties that can be purchased on the continent. * * *

Graceful in Design and at a Lower Price than ever

CHEAP CHARLEY,

...The Reliable Clothier...

Blank Books...

Inks, Inkstands, Penholders, Pens, Pencils, Typewriter Paper, Typewriter Ribbons, Legal Blanks,

A FULL LINE OF OFFICE SUPPLIES, TRY DAVID'S WRITING FLUID.

J. E. SAXTON'S BOOK STORE,

120 EAST PRAIRIE STREET.

GREAT CLOSING OUT SALE

AT—
Leonard's Department Store

Am going out of business and must close out my stock immediately. We are offering the greatest bargains ever offered in Decatur. Seeing is believing; come and see and be convinced.

We have big bargains to offer you in our DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT.

Children's Hose reduced from 10c to 5c pair. Fine Large Red Socks at 10c. Ladies' Fine Wrappers at 75c and up. Best Table Oil Cloth at 12 1/2c yard. Gent's Heavy Cotton Socks reduced from 10c to 5c pair.

We have some special bargains to offer in Ladies' Dress Skirts, Black, Navy, and Shepherd Plaid, worth \$2.00, must sell at \$1.00. Skirts in Black Brocade Brilliantine, worth \$3.00, for \$1.99.

Dresses of all kinds made to order at very low prices.

We have a large stock of Remnants to be closed out at a bargain.

We are offering the greatest bargains in GROCERIES.

Corn, Peaches, Peas, Blackberries, Squash, 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c, 55c, 60c, 65c, 70c, 75c, 80c, 85c, 90c, 95c, 1.00.

On the first and third Tuesdays of each month settlers' one way tickets to points south at very low rates.

Winter tourist tickets are now on sale to the principal winter resorts in the south and southwest.

Home-seekers' excursions to principal points in the west, northwest, south and southwest on the first and third Tuesdays of every month, at one fare plus 25c round trip. Tickets good returning every Tuesday and Friday within three weeks. Stop overs granted on going trip.

For rates, time of trains, etc., address J. C. Millspaugh, T. P. A., or W. L. Smith, ticket agent, Union Depot, Decatur, Ill. Telephone 573.

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23 N. Water St.—New Phone 262.

YANDALIA LINE EXCURSIONS.

California via New Orleans. Pullman buffet sleeper every Tuesday and Saturday night from Chicago, connecting with the Southern Pacific's "Sunset Limited" for Los Angeles and San Francisco. Pullman tourist sleeper every Wednesday, through without change from Chicago to San Francisco.

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WABASH EXCURSIONS.

The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

On Feb. 23, March 23, April 6th and 20th, May 4th and 18th, settlers' one way tickets to points south at very low rates.

Winter Tourist tickets are now on sale to the principal winter resorts in the South and Southwest.

Improved Dining Car Service on the Wabash. Meals will now be served. A la Carte on all dining cars on the Wabash line. This will be a great accommodation to passengers as it will enable them to select from the bill of fare just what they want and pay only for what they get.

Sunday low rate tickets will be sold from all stations east of Mississippi River, except to points north of Bement on Chicago Division. Sundays at very low rates—good going and returning Sunday only.

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German Baptist annual meeting, Frederick Md., June 3.

Grand Army of the Republic, Buffalo, N. Y., August 24 to 26th.

Baptist Young People's Union, Chattanooga, Tenn., in July.

National Educational Association, Milwaukee, July 24 to 26th.

B. Y. P. O. Elks, Minneapolis, July 24th and 25th. Twenty-seventh Bunde Turn Fest, St. Louis, May 6 to 11.

Northwestern League, Toronto, in July.

Would you like to take a trip to Boca del Toro, U. S. of Colombia, South America, via Mobile and the Snyder-Banana Steamship Co.? Tickets are sold very cheap. Call at City Ticket Office for particulars.

FLORIDA

—AND—
Southern Winter Resorts.

With the inauguration of new train schedules, we are now able to give our patrons service to the south which is not equaled either in time or comfort by any other line.

The day train, which arrives at Evansville at 8:15 in the evening, makes direct connection with the Louisville & Nashville limited train for Nashville, Memphis, Montgomery and New Orleans, and also for Jacksonville, Fla., via Chattanooga, Titon and Macon. This train carries Pullman Buffet Sleeping Cars, Evansville to New Orleans, Guthrie to Memphis and Evansville to Chattanooga, Atlanta and Jacksonville, Fla.

This service enables the PEORIA, DECATUR & EVANSVILLE RAILWAY to offer to its patrons a route to

Florida Twelve Hours Quicker than via any other line, and to give its passengers every comfort en route.

For rates, time cards, maps and all information, inquire of any agent or write direct to:

A. G. PALMER, Gen. Pass. Agent, Evansville, Ind.

B. J. CASSETTY, Asst. Gen. Pass. Agent, Peoria, Ill.

O. M. TICHENOR, Asst. Gen. Pass. Agent, Jno 11-111

BREAKFAST AND HEALTH.

The Morning Meal Should Precede Exercise.

Breakfast should be eaten in the morning before leaving the house for exercise or labor of any description. Those who do it will be able to perform more work and with greater comfort and alacrity than those who work an hour or two before breakfast. Besides this the average duration of life of those who take breakfast before exercise or work will be a number of years greater than of those who do otherwise. Most persons begin to feel weak after having been engaged five or six hours in their ordinary avocations; a good meal reinvigorates, but from the last meal of the day until the next morning there is an interval of some ten or twelve hours. Hence the body, in a sense, is weak and in proportion cannot resist deleterious agencies, whether of the fierce cold of midwinter or of the poisonous miasm which rests upon the surface of the earth whenever the sun shines on a blade of vegetation or a heap of offal.

This miasm is more solid, more concentrated and hence more malignant about sunrise and sunset than at any other hour of the 24, because the cold of the night condenses it and it is on the first few inches above the soil in its most solid form, but as the sun rises it warms and expands and ascends to a point high enough to be breathed, and being taken into the lungs with the air and swallowed with the saliva into the stomach, all weak and empty as it is, it is greedily drunk in, thrown immediately into the circulation of the blood and carried directly to every part of the body, depositing its poisonous influences at the very fountain head of life.

If early breakfast were taken in regions where chills and fever and ague prevail and if, in addition, a brisk fire were kindled in the family room for the hours including sunset and sunrise, these troublesome maladies would diminish in any one year, not tenfold, but a thousandfold, because the heat of the fire would rarely the miasmatic air instantly and send it above the breathing point.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Explosion Under the Ocean.

Investigation concerning the great sea-wave which suddenly swept in upon the coast of Japan with terribly disastrous results last June have, it is reported, convinced Mr. Igi, of the Japanese College of Science, that the cause of the phenomenon was a volcanic outburst at the bottom of the ocean. He locates the point of explosion about 200 leagues east of the coast of Yoshikama, and thinks it was comparable with the great eruption that blew the Island of Krakatoa to pieces in 1883. It is said that the temperature of the sea-water in the neighborhood of the place where the explosion is thought to have occurred, was found to be three degrees above the normal.—Youth's Companion.

Clouds Over Fires.

During a large fire in Charleston last December Mr. Ward, of Harvard university, found an uncommonly good opportunity to observe the formation of clouds in the atmosphere above the fire. Whenever there was an especially active ascent of the smoke a large cumulus cloud formed over it. This recalls other observations of such clouds becoming dense enough to produce a shower of rain.—Youth's Companion.

—If we had to be a dog, we would want to be an old maid's dog; an old maid's dog is treated better than most husbands.—Athenian Globe.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. CHENEY & Co., Props. Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm.

Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. WALKING, KINNAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

A torpid liver means a bad complexion, bad breath, indigestion and frequent headaches. To avoid such complications take DeWitt's Little Early Kidney Pills, the famous little pills. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Rev. Joseph Bell of Streator is conducting a great revival in the M. E. church in that place. Up to date 197 conversions have been reported.

A weed in the garden can be easily destroyed when it first starts. Consumption can be nipped in the bud by One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Only Two Hours and Fifty Minutes to Peoria. Take the Vandalia Line. Train leaves at 11:42 a. m.

The voters of Springfield at the next election will vote upon the question of establishing a city court in the place of justices of the peace.

Orell in Livingston county has at last found an abundant supply of pure water at a depth of 1150 feet.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve. The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by E. A. West, the Druggist.

ST. NICHOLAS HOTEL.
CHAS. LAUX, Proprietor.
South Side Lincoln Square, Decatur, Ill.

DON'T

Get the idea that Diamond Jewelry is bought for temporary use. It is bought by thoughtful people as permanent and serviceable ornament. Good and substantial workmanship in the manufacture of High Grade Diamond Jewelry is important. Any manufacturer can make a diamond ring. If not made with the utmost care and skill, both metal and gems are often wasted, and the stones may easily be lost through bad workmanship and careless setting.

The Most Carefully Manufactured Goods

of the highest grade of workmanship, finish, style and selection of stones

Are the Only Kind We Can Afford to Keep.

Others may have lower prices on inferior goods.

We make a Profit on all our goods, but make it Fairly.

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Our House has been Established Over 20 Years at
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LOOK TO US

For Novelties
In New Up-to-date Styles
in Fine Foot Wear.

SEE OUR WINDOWS.

A few of our Swell Spring Style Shoes are shown and they'll interest you.

Spring Goods are coming in every day. Now is the time to buy, and the place to buy is where you get the worth of your money.

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148 East Main St. Sign of the Brass Foot Tracks.

B. F. BOBO, Manager.

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FOR TEN DAYS.

NAME painted in each UMBRELLA sold; in white letters, for Next Ten Days.

New Line Spring Styles in
...SHIRTS...
Call and Inspect My Line.

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DECATUR, ILL.

BRISTLES IN YOUR TEETH *

Are not pleasant, but you'll get them every time you use a poor toothbrush.
GET A BRUSH that is built right—costs a little more, but gives satisfaction.
Try our 25c Brush.

KING'S DRUG STORE,

LOCAL NEWS.

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.
Use Irwin's Royal Dyspepsia cure for indigestion.
For loss of appetite take Irwin's Iron Tonic Bitters.
Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.
Irwin's rheumatic cure gives the best satisfaction. Price 75 cents.
Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 cent cigar, made by John Wolgast. Price 25 ct.
Get your dinners at the Farmers' Exchange. Meals 25 cents.—23-df.
Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 23-df.
Jason Davidson was arrested today on an old indictment for stealing chickens.
Take the Vandalia fast train to Peoria, two hours and fifty minutes. Leaves at 11:42 a. m.
Try the lunch counter at the Farmers' Exchange. Open day and night.—23-df.
The best blood purifier is Ray's Sarsaparilla—at West's drug store. 50c.—23-df.
Golden Rod Lotion for chapped hands gives satisfaction. For sale at Opera House Drug store.
Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made, Sumatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.
Seed sweet potatoes, wholesale and retail, 333 North Main street. Durfee & Culp.
Little Diana cigar; business men's ideal smoke; 5 for 10 cents; 100 for \$1.50. L. Ghodas's News House.—14-df.
The best spring tonic for that tired feeling is DeSoto's Colery Nerve Tonic at West's drug store. 75c.—23-df.
Regular meeting of Chevalier lodge, Knights of Pythias, tonight at the castle hall in Library block. Work in the rank of acquire.
City election primaries next Tuesday evening in all the wards. Aldermen will be nominated after the voting stops.
Ask your druggist for the German Catarrh Cure, a positive cure for catarrh, asthma, cough, colds and headache. mar 16-df.
Early Monday morning a thief entered the home of Gottlieb Shreiba at 120 East Orchard street and stole two suits of clothes.
The Bloomington girls will come to Decatur on the evening of Tuesday, March 30 and play basket ball with the Decatur girls. It will be a return game.
Buy your garden, flower and field seeds of Dan Culp, the old reliable seedsman, fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed in bulk. No. 223 North Main street. Durfee & Culp.—14-df.
The opera "Pinafore," which is to be given for the benefit of the W. R. C. of this city will probably be presented at the opera house immediately after Easter. Those who are to take part have been in training under Professor Westhoff for some time past. Those who are to take the principal parts are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bunn, C. N. Brown, George Dunston, Miss Mae Harwood, John Patin and Fred Mann.
The building on East Main street, formerly occupied by the Farmers' bank, was sold yesterday under foreclosure proceedings by Master in Chancery Finn. The purchaser was Henry B. Owsley of Springfield, represented by Stuart Brown. The building was sold some months ago to L. B. Casner for \$12,200. He paid \$3000 cash on the purchase and then the bank failed and he could not meet the other payments. Assignee Dawson has fifteen months in which to redeem.

The Friends Creek Tickets.
The opposing parties in Friends Creek township have put up candidates as follows:
Republican Ticket: Town Clerk—F. Benton.
Assessor—H. M. Strever.
Collector—John McFarlane.
Highway Commissioner—Samuel Gerber.
Justices of Peace—W. H. Hartman and J. W. Siz.
Constables—B. Parr and John Shannon.
Cemetery Trustee—Benjamin Gokan.
Democratic Ticket: Clerk—Rufus Clifton.
Assessor—James Pullino.
Collector—Adam Bowersack.
Commissioner—Thomas Massey.
Justices—F. D. Kile and C. Majora.
Constables—John Ray and James Brennan.
Cemetery Trustee—John Parr.
Seed Distribution.
New seed store, complete stock, fresh garden, field and flower seeds. Leon & Morris, 188 East Wood street.—9-df.
Yes, 'tis true:
Foley's Honey and Tar
Is the Best Cough Medicine.
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BAUER DAMAGE CASE

Suit Against the Wabash for Five Thousand Dollars.

MANY WITNESSES ARE IN COURT

Bauer was Killed Near the St. Louis Bridge June 15, '96—The Thomason Damage Case to Go Before a Jury.

The \$5000 damage case of Mrs. Alice Bauer, administratrix of the estate of Charles F. Bauer vs the Wabash railroad company, was called up for trial in the circuit court this forenoon. The attorneys for the plaintiff are Sawyer & Ewing, with A. G. Webber also in the case. The Wabash is represented by Judge Burnett of St. Louis and Attorney Buckingham of St. Louis and Attorney Buckingham of the defendants.

There was a large attendance last night at the Leonard assembly dance at Guard's armory and a very enjoyable time was had by all parties present. During the evening the members of Miss Marie Leonard's juvenile class gave a pleasing exhibition of their grace and skill and were liberally applauded. These were the specialties by the young people:
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Death of Charles Butzer.
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The body was taken to Purl's undertaking establishment and prepared for burial. The funeral was held at 2:30 this afternoon from 832 East Prairie street.
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In the cross examination Mr. Applegate testified to hearing before March 8 that Thomason was drunk but said he was not drunk that day.
The lawyers did not make any argument, except that Attorney Burnett, who with I. A. Buckingham, appeared for the Wabash, called attention to a decision showing that a man had to be so drunk that he did not know what he was doing.
This morning at the opening of court Judge Vail stated that he would not decide as to Thomason's condition at the time he made the settlement, but would refer the whole case to a jury. Therefore, as soon as possible, the case on the damage suit and the settlement will be submitted to a jury, and the finding of the jury will stand. This is practically what the plaintiff wanted. Attorney Laforgue represents Thomason and Judge Burnett of St. Louis and Attorney Buckingham of the defendants.

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PERSONAL MENTION.

—Mrs. O. E. Curtis is home from Chicago.
—F. K. Pennington is in Peoria on business.
—Will Shorb went to Sullivan today on business.
—Robert Keyes is ill at his home on West King street.
—John Rosensmyer went to Iverdale today on business.
—E. D. Bartholomew went to Indianapolis today on a business trip.
—Major George R. Steele is able to get out after a long illness.
—Rev. D. R. MacGregor has gone to Indianapolis on a visit to friends.
—Dr. R. L. Walston went to Clinton on professional business last night.
—H. M. Kroider has taken a position in Akers & Wilson's furniture store.
—Miss Lillian Crea has returned home from Chicago where she has been visiting her father.
—Miss J. W. Eddy of Shelbyville is in the city visiting her sons, Dr. O. T. and Dr. J. H. Eddy.
—Miss Anna Butts, living on North Broadway, is confined to her home by illness.
—Charles Pratt will tomorrow take a position with the Decatur Cereal Milling company.
—Mrs. J. C. Carne, who has been visiting friends at Nokomis, returned home this morning.
—C. O. Judson who has been confined to his home for some time past is reported to be improving.
—Edward Judson of Tacoma, Wash., is in the city. He is a guest at the home of Major F. L. Hays.
—Miss Mabel Durfee left today for Dwight, Ill., where she will be the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Keelley.
—Mrs. James Miller, who has been visiting in the city, returned today to her home in Bloomington.
—W. H. Linn returned home last night from Hot Springs. He has been in the south for several months past.
—Charles Steinbach will leave this week for Rock Island where he will take a position in an architect's office.
—B. W. Campbell, who has been visiting W. H. Starr and family, has returned to his home in Cincinnati.
—Edward Johnson left yesterday on a trip to Wisconsin where he will visit friends. He will go to Massachusetts before returning home.
—Mr. and Mrs. Albert C. Stifel who have been in the city visiting L. L. Boblett and family, returned today to their home in Cincinnati.

F. O. Damrow for Alderman.
In this issue F. O. Damrow is announced as a candidate for alderman in the Second ward, submitting his name to the action of the Republican ward primary. Mr. Damrow has consented to become a candidate at the request of many friends in the ward who have come to him urging him to make the race. There is no more active or energetic man in the ward and if nominated and elected he will devote his best efforts for the general good of the city. He is in favor of substantial public improvements and believes that Decatur has a great future.

For Alderman in the Seventh Ward.
J. L. Drake is out as a candidate for alderman in the Seventh ward subject to the action of the Republican ward primary. Mr. Drake is no stranger in the management of city affairs, having served the Seventh ward two years in the council. He is an active business man and would make an energetic and useful member of the council. His many friends in the ward are working earnestly in his behalf.

Will be Home Again.
Yesterday W. H. Suffron received a telegram from his business partner, Robert I. Hunt, who is traveling in Europe. Mr. Hunt cabled that he expected to leave for America about the first of April. Suffron says that he sent word for him not to hurry and if it is possible Mr. Hunt will remain in Europe several weeks longer.

Sales of Real Estate.
Emma Day to Thomas A. Ayers, lots 2 and 3, block 7, Argenta, \$500.
Sarah A. Ewing to board of directors, school district 5, 15, 2 east, tract in 7, 15, 2 east, \$50.
Anozina A. Bills to John Fouts, lot 4, block 15, R. R. addition to Macon, \$10.

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TARIFF DEBATE.

McMillan Attempts to Argue that the Present Law is Yielding Sufficient Revenue.

GROSVENOR OF OHIO SPEAKS.

He Held That the McKinley Bill Gave McKinley the Nomination, and Restored Republicans to Power.

Washington, March 24.—In the house this morning Fox (Dem. Miss.) opened the tariff debate with a speech on the general theory of protection.

Williams (Dem. Miss.) devoted his attention to exposing alleged inconsistencies in the Republican argument and attributed the financial depression to the depreciating value of money under the gold standard. The bill was also discussed briefly by Sims, (Dem. Tenn.), Terry (Dem. Ark.), Sayers (Dem. Tex.), Johnson (Rep. N. Dak.), member of the ways and means committee eulogized the prospective benefit which would follow the enactment of the agricultural schedule of the bill. He was met by a fusillade of questions from Democrats and Populists. The old controversy of whether a foreigner or the consumer paid the tax was fought over with great pertinacity. He declared if the southern people would pledge loyalty to protection the Republican party would be glad to accord cotton the same protection given agricultural products in the north.

McMillan (Dem. Tenn.) was given a round of applause as he took the floor and proceeded to make an elaborate argument against the bill.

Mr. McMillan prefaced his remarks with figures to prove that there is sufficient surplus in the treasury \$118,000,000 exclusive of the gold reserve) to meet all estimated deficiencies for two years. He declared the alleged necessity for this bill was a mere pretext and prophesied a repetition of the disaster which overtook the congress that enacted the McKinley law. If this bill is passed, and made the Republicans change the front on the question of the sugar bounties the text for some caustic remarks. He said Republicans who argued so eloquently for free sugar in 1880 had re-imposed the burden of taxation on that commodity at the same time taking good care of corporations and trusts which now controlled the sugar market. The speaker discussed in detail the metal schedule, arguing that as we are becoming heavy shippers of pig iron, which could be produced in southern states as cheaply as anywhere in the world, the duty of \$4 a ton should have been reduced. He declared the agricultural schedule a humbug and enumerated a long list of trusts which he said would fatten on the bill. He accused Dingley, the father of the measure, with favoring his own state and asked the latter to explain why salt is free for Maine fisheries and taxed elsewhere. McMillan added:

"After a careful and painstaking examination of this bill I don't hesitate to declare it the most unconscionable effort at legislative robbery ever attempted upon the people." He said the rates were higher than any law ever passed by congress and controverted the statement that its burdens were placed upon luxuries. He asserted that the reciprocity clause put legislative power into the hands of the executive.

Grosvenor began by referring to the necessity for speedy action in the matter of tariff legislation on account of the condition of the treasury and the comparative relation of receipts and expenditures under the present law. He declared it was the McKinley law misrepresented and misunderstood which aided in the Republican overthrow of 1896, but the McKinley bill with the blessings conferred during its short life had become the talismanic word which swept McKinley into the nomination and carried the country in 1896. He declared the Republican congress ready to execute the people's demands. The demand is for a protective tariff for all parties, and every section of the country. The speaker paid no attention to the statement that although McKinley had been elected prosperity had not yet come. The gentlemen must remember that violation of law always involves punishment. The country which turned its back on prosperity in 1892 and descended into the "blunder" of 1894 must expect punishment. It must not expect forgiveness till it had done. "Works meet for repentance." The Wilson law will stand on the statute books, he said, and must be repealed. In proof of that evidence of returning good times are visible everywhere, in every part of the country and all over the nation.